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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :

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: ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION

SERIAL NO: NEW U.S. PCT APPLICATION :  
(Based on PCT/FR00/01237)

FILED: HEREWITH :

FOR: PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURING :  
FLOAT GLASS, IMPLEMENTATION  
PLANT AND PRODUCTS OBTAINED :

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to a first examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified  
application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

3. (Amended) The process as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the edges are  
trimmed at a temperature above the Littleton point of the glass.

4. (Amended) The process as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the trimming  
is carried out by means of at least one laser and/or at least one hot knife.

5. (Amended) The process as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that a jet of gas is  
directed toward the trimming point at the same time as the trimming is being carried out.